

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 17-39 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended. Claims 3-16 have been canceled. New Claims 17-39 have been added. The claims set forth above include marking to show the changes made by way of the present amendment, deletions being in strikeout and additions being underlined.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 2, 9 and 10. Claim 1 has been amended to add the allowable subject matter of Claim 9. Thus, Claim 1 and amended dependent Claim 2 are now in condition for allowance.

Canceled Claims

Claims 3-16 have been canceled. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the present rejections.

New Claims

New Claims 17-39 have been added. Claims 17 and 29 are independent claims and Claims 18-28 and 30-39 depend therefrom. The newly added claims are patentable over the cited references.

Claim 17 is directed to a transportable unmanned surveillance system comprising a base configured to maintain the transportable unmanned surveillance system in an upright freestanding position and to substantially prevent movement of the base by hand, a camera positioned above the base at a height sufficient to put the camera substantially out of reach of a person who may want to tamper with the camera, the camera configured to obtain video data of objects in the vicinity of the surveillance system, a support structure coupled to the base and extending upwardly, wherein the camera is coupled to the support structure, and a recorder in wireless communication with the camera, such that the recorder is configured to record wireless transmissions of the video data obtained from the camera without human intervention during ongoing surveillance.

Claim 29 is directed to A transportable unmanned surveillance system comprising a base configured to maintain the transportable unmanned surveillance system in an upright freestanding position and to substantially prevent movement of the base by hand, wherein the base is configured with an axle and wheels to facilitate transportation of the surveillance system,

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a camera positioned above the base at a height sufficient to put the camera substantially out of reach of a person who may want to tamper with the camera, the camera configured to obtain video data of objects in the vicinity of the surveillance system, a support structure coupled to the base and extending upwardly, wherein the camera is coupled to the support structure, a recorder in communication with the camera, the recorder configured to record the video data obtained by the camera without human intervention during ongoing surveillance, and a secure enclosure configured to protect the recorder from unauthorized access, wherein the recorder is positioned within the secure enclosure.

None of the cited prior art references teach the combination of features set forth in the newly added independent claims. The corresponding dependent claims include additional patentable features.

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections set forth in the outstanding Office Action are inapplicable to the present claims. Accordingly, early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is most earnestly solicited.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, the Applicants are not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that the Applicants have made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

Co-Pending Applications of Assignee

Applicant wishes to draw the Examiner's attention to the following co-pending applications of the present application's assignee.

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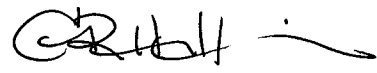
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11/064,812	TEMPORARY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	02/24/2005
11/065,999	TEMPORARY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	02/24/2005
11/769,612	TEMPORARY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	06/27/2007
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11/769,624	TEMPORARY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	06/27/2007
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